

<div> <div>Voay</div> <div> <div>Temporal range: Pleistocene — Holocene, 0.126–0.002 Ma</div> <div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> </div> </div> </div>											
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<div></div> <div>Skull, American Museum of Natural History</div>											
<div> <div>Scientific classification</div> <div></div> </div>											
Kingdom:		Animalia									
Phylum:		Chordata									
Class:		Reptilia									
Order:		Crocodilia									
Family:		Crocodylidae									
Subfamily:		Crocodylinae									
Genus:		<div>†<i>Voay</i></div> <div>Brochu, 2007</div>									
<div>Type species</div>											
<div>†<i>Voay robustus</i></div> <div>(Grandidier & Vaillant, 1872)</div>											
<div>Synonyms</div>											
<div> <div><i>Crocodylus robustus</i></div> <div>Grandidier & Vaillant, 1872</div> </div>											

Phylogenetics

When *V. robustus* was first described in 1872, it was originally assigned to the genus *Crocodylus*.^[6] However, it is now known to have had more in common with the extant *Osteolaemus*, or dwarf crocodile, than *Crocodylus*. Some features it shares with *Osteolaemus* include a depressed pterygoid surface that forms a choanal "neck" on the palate. Because it was not close enough to be placed in the same genus as the dwarf crocodile, it was assigned to the new genus in 2007. Before this reassignment, the species was considered by some to be synonymous with *Crocodylus niloticus*. However, this was most likely due to a misinterpretation of remains from the living *C. niloticus* with *V. robustus* and the poor description of the original material from which the species was described.^{[7][8]}

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